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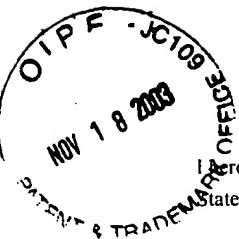
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In re application of:

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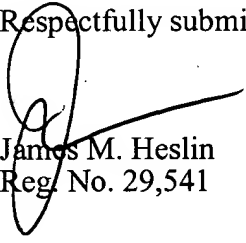
In further response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 17, 2003, and to the subsequent Communication mailed on August 27, 2003, Applicants respectfully change the initial designation of species to be directed at species C. As discussed with Examiner Thaler on November 7, 2003, species C is generally directed at those embodiments which include an axial slit passage in the catheter body.

As further discussed with the Examiner, Applicants have examined each of the pending claims and compared them with the embodiments of Figs. 5A, 5B, and 13A to identify

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Supplemental Response dated Nov. 14, 2003

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